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CLAIM AMENDMENT

- 1. 11. (previously cancelled)
- 12. (currently amended) A method for updating a profiles of a user in a data communications network comprising a number of entities, among them a profile storage that stores the profiles and for each profile a list of all on-line entities of the user that store at least a portion of the user's profile, the method comprising the steps of:
 - following an update ing of at least one portion of the user's profile en in an entity of the user, ; sending receiving, in the profile storage, at least the updated portion of the user's profile from the entity to the profile storage;
 - storing at least the updated portion of the user's profile by the profile storage;
 - retrieving by the profile storage the-a list of all on-line entities that store
 the profile; and
 - sending at least the updated portion of the user's profile to each entity on the retrieved list.
- 13. (currently amended) The method for updating <u>a profiles</u> of claim 12 further comprising the steps of:
 - sending receiving, in the profile storage, from an a further user's entity that has gone on-line to the profile storage, a request for modifications done to at least one further portion of the user's profiles stored by the further entity-stores; and
 - sending from the profile storage to the <u>further</u> entity that has gone on-line <u>at least</u> the requested <u>portion of the user's</u> profiles.

- 14. (currently amended) A profile storage in a data communications network comprising an entity of a user that has updated a user's profile, the profile storage being capable of:
 - storing a plurality of the user's profiles and, for each profile, a list of online entities that store the profile;
 - receiving at least one the updated portion of the user's profile from the entity;
 - storing at least the updated portion of the user's profile;
 - retrieving the list of on-line entities that store the <u>user's</u> profile; and
 - sending at least the updated portion of the user's profile to each entity on the retrieved list.
- 15. (currently amended) The profile storage of claim 14 being further capable of:
 - receiving a request from a further entity of the user that has gone on-line for modifications done to at least a portion of the user's profiles the further entity stores; and
 - sending s to the further entity that has gone on-line at least the requested portion of the user's profiles.
- 16. (cancelled).